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## ASH GROVE CEMENT WEST, INC.

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Subject Progress Report

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### EAST TERMINAL

The switchgear for completion of the electrical remodel was installed and work progressed toward completion of the project. Mark Wirfs visited and was satisfied with the progress. Hi-pot testing revealed a fault in the finish mill switchgear which we feel can be easily corrected.

I contacted Al Godek to tell him to anticipate the arrival of three truckloads of chrome brick for disposal. All surplus transformers and oil switches are now stored at the East Terminal.

We again worked heavy overtime schedules to complete the 5030 ton Alaska order. This should complete the overtime requirement. I am quite happy with the performance of our crew who got the order out on time as well as keeping LSNW supplied with sacked cement while their new packaging line was shut down.

We were able to complete neutralization of our settling pond with much less acid than we expected. We feel the sediments are not dissolving in the neutral pond water as fast as we thought they would. Stoneway is indicating they intend to pretreat their discharge. I will report more on this as it develops.

We still have white cement in Tank 3. Also, we are continuing to stock and distribute white sacks for Lehigh. We anticipate Tank 3 will be emptied someday. We are not putting anymore into it.

The Ideal transfers continue as we try to fill up all the silos. Roger reports car shortages affecting both Montana and Durkee.

### WEST TERMINAL

The M.V. Ocean Lark arrived in the rain on 4/19 and continues to be unloaded. Rain and mechanical delays are not a serious problem at this time.

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We have implemented a plan to plug the dock drains to guard against oil spillage except when it is raining, at which time we revert to the previous practice of vigilance and good housekeeping.

We are discussing with LSNW the safety problems encountered when cement sloughs into the hold while we are cleaning up. We feel a limit on the depth of the cargo and a minimum acceptable hatch size will solve the problem. We now need to incorporate the recommendations into the charter language.

SUPERIOR QUARRY

We will load 5000 tons of Superior Silica on Wednesday for Tilbury.

This week should complete the processing operation at the quarry with 100,000 tons of material put up.

SHIPMENTS

East Terminal Sales	7610 tons
West Terminal Sales	3063 tons
LSNW Shipments	2667 tons

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